Pier, Ramp and Float(s)

Whether you are proposing to install a new residential overwater structure, or repair, replace, or modify an existing residential overwater structure, you may be eligible to use the following Reference Biologial Assessment (RBA) ESA consultation.

## PROCEDURES FOR USING THE RBA ESA CONSULTATION

### 1) Your project must:

- be in the Columbia River between Chief Joseph and Rock Island dams, or in the Okangoan River between River Mile 5 and its mouth at the Columbia River
- meet the Conservation Measures (listed in item 10 of the SPIF below)

### 2) If your project meets the requirements above, you need to submit the following:

- a Joint Aquatic Resource Permits Application (JARPA)
- a Specific Project Information Form (SPIF):  Adobe's pdf version or Word version
- a vicinity map and project drawing(s)
- photographs of the project area
- a planting plan

### 3) Please mail the required information to our office at:

Seattle District Corps of Engineers
ATTN: Regulatory Branch, CENWS-OD-RG
Post Office Box 3755
Seattle, WA 98124-3755

The Corps will review this information and verify that the work is covered under the RBA ESA consultation. Where the work meets the criteria, the Corps will record this finding and submit the

project to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and NOAA Fisheries Service for their concurrence. Where the work does not meet the criteria, the Corps will coordinate with the project proponent to discuss alternatives. The Section 7 consultation is only one part of the permit evaluation process. Using the RBA will considerably reduce the processing time, however, there are other evaluation factors that must be completed before a permit decision can be made.

For additional information on the RBA ESA consultation, please read the [Biological Opinion for Docks on the Columbia River between Wells and Rock Island Dams](#).

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